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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT OF MALAGASY MILITARY TRIBUNAL RESIGNS

1. ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS AND RADIO REPORTS GENERAL PHILIBERT RAMAROLAHY, PRESIDENT OF MILITARY TRIBUNAL CONDUCTING TRIAL OF SUSPECTED ASSASSINS OF COLONEL RATSIMANDRAVA AND THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH POLICE REBELLION, RESIGNED AS PRESIDENT OF TRIBUNAL MAY 27. LT COL RAVELOMANANTSOA HAS REPLACED HIM AS PRESIDENT. NO REASON FOR RESIGNATION WAS GIVEN. PRESS IS DEVOID OF SPECULATION.

2. EMBASSY COMMENT: DEPARTURE FROM MILITARY TRIBUNAL OF RAMAROLAHY, WHO IS PERSONALLY POPULAR WITH MILITARY AND SECOND IN MILITARY RANK ONLY TO GENERAL ANDRIAMAHAZO, IS SURE TO DIMINISH TRIBUNAL'S PRESTIGE AND CREATES SUSPICION THAT MILITARY DIRECTORY GAVE DIRECTIONS TO TRIBUNAL THAT RAMAROLAHY FOUND UNACCEPTABLE. TRIAL TO PRESENT HAS PROCEEDED METHODICALLY AND OPENLY IN CONCILIATORY MANNER BUT NOW IT MUST CONTINUE UNDER CLOUD THAT MAY PROVE TO BE AN EARLY STORM WARNING. ELFERS

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